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HONGKONG, MAY 14TH 1909.

The information given to the Sanitary Board on Tuesday last by Colonel BEDFORD, the Principal Medical Officer of the Garrison, with regard to the prevalence of Malaria amongst His Majesty's troops quartered at Lyemun was startling enough to elicit immediate public sympathy which is the necessary prelude to public action with a view to modifying the existing state of affairs. Colonel BEDFORD informed the Board that whereas the admissions to hospital for malarial fever from the whole garrison for the first four months of the year gave a ratio of 25 per thousand, that for the small garrison at Lyemun gave a ratio of 445 per thousand. To further establish the fact that malaria is abnormally prevalent in the neighbourhood of Lyemun, Colonel BEDFORD referred to the latest published returns (1907) showing the distribution of the disease amongst the police. While the admissions to hospital for malaria were in the ratio of 94 per thousand among the men quartered at the central police station, the admissions from the Shaikwan police station gave the enormous ratio of 888 per thousand. That is fairly conclusive evidence of the existence of disease-breeding conditions in that neighbourhood which stand in urgent need of improvement.

As the P.M.O. of the Garrison observed, malaria cannot be fought without the expenditure of money, and we think we can anticipate the report of the Committee of Inquiry to the extent of saying that to rid the neighbourhood of Shaikwan of the conditions which conduce

to the breeding of the anopheles mosquito will run into a considerable demand on the Colony's exchequer. As showing the cost of these anti-malarial measures we may note that a couple of years ago a sum of \$18,456 was spent on draining nullahs in the Tai Hang valley, which is extensively used by the washermen of Victoria for clothes washing operations. For the past ten years the Government has made provision in the Estimates for anti-malarial measures, and the last Estimates show that down to the end of 1908 a total sum of \$107,500 had been expended on the draining of nullahs in various parts of the Colony. The estimated expenditure on this work in the current year is \$20,000, which may be taken as representing the average annual cost of this work in recent years—an expenditure which is amply justified by the gratifying decline of malarial disease parallel with the progress of this work. The average annual number of deaths from Malaria in the Colony for the quinquennium 1898-1902 was 526; and in the following five years the average yearly number fell to 386, although there was a large increase in the population during that period. The medical reports leave us in no doubt that the disease is most prevalent in the villages of Hongkong. It is shown in the returns for 1907 (the latest published) that there were 138 deaths from Malaria in the City of Victoria; 191 for the whole of Kowloon, and 203 in the villages. But the Government, quite rightly, commenced their campaign in the neighbourhood of the largest centres of population. Gradually the Public Works Department has carried the war against the mosquito east and west of the city, and no doubt in the natural order of progress the district of Shaikwan would receive due attention. Now that Colonel BEDFORD has called public attention to the serious character of the medical statistics of the small Garrison at Lyemun attention will doubtless be given by the Public Works Department to this district earlier than might otherwise perhaps have been the case. When we look at the police returns to which Colonel BEDFORD in his speech referred, we observe that there is one district in the Colony with an even worse showing than Shaikwan. That is Tsat-Tee-Mui where the percentage of Malarial cases from the police station worked out at 1142 against Shaikwan's 888.

The value of the statistical information on the subject prepared annually by the medical department is plainly apparent, and while it is satisfactory to note that notwithstanding the exigencies of the financial position no reduction in the appropriation for anti-malarial measures was made this year, the plea made by Colonel BEDFORD will, perhaps, suggest to the Government the desirability of making every effort to enlarge this vote until the improvement which has been effected in the central districts of the Colony has been extended to all the outlying places where considerable populations reside.

Alli Mahomed, while under the influence of liquor, went into an opium divan in Cheung King Street and proceeded to break the furniture. When called upon by the proprietor to desist he assaulted him, the result being that he was arrested and charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistrate's yesterday. After hearing the evidence his Worship recorded a conviction and fined the defendant \$2 on a charge of damaging property and \$2 on a charge of assault. He further ordered him to pay seventy cents compensation.

The telegraphic announcement that the Archbishop of Canterbury has elevated the Ven. Archdeacon Banister to the new Bishopric of Hunan will be received by churchmen in Hongkong with mingled feelings of great gratification that he has been selected for the high office, and sincere regret that the appointment terminates his connection with the diocese of Victoria in which he has ministered for the last twelve years. Archdeacon Banister was ordained deacon in 1879, and priest in the following year. He then came out to China, being sent to Foochow, and was for some years located at Ku Chong in charge of a large missionary district with its manifold operations. In 1893 he was given direction of the Church Missionary Society's Theological College at Foochow, and remained there until 1897, when he was appointed Archdeacon of Hongkong by the late Bishop Hoare in 1902. Archdeacon Banister went home early this year on a well-earned rest, and it was thought that his health and advancing years would render it necessary for him to remain at home. We are glad to infer from the announcement made to-day that the Ven. Archdeacon's health happily offers no barrier to his return to the East. Archdeacon Banister appears as active and energetic as a man of forty though his age must be nearer fifty-five. What all who know him will feel was voiced by H. E. the Governor in a public speech a few months ago, when he said that Archdeacon Banister's retirement would mean that this Colony would lose a devoted and able man. He will however have the direction of church affairs over a district which has hitherto formed part of the diocese of Victoria, so we may expect to see Bishop Banister occasionally in Hongkong.

The number of cases tried at the Magistrate's during last year was 10,555 as compared with 13,414 in 1907, and the fines were \$68,396.43 as compared with \$67,133.25 in 1907.

At Kowloon City on Wednesday a now intoxicating beverage was responsible for one of the fiercest quarrels usually associated with fermented liquor. One cooie accused another of drinking too much of "master's tea." The accusation was indignantly denied, and the tea drinker emphasised his denial with the use of a chopper with which he attacked his accuser. He was arrested, charged before Mr. E. A. Hazell at the Magistrate's yesterday with assault, found guilty, and ordered to pay a fine of \$10, in default three weeks' imprisonment.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## FLUSHING THE DRAINS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 13th May.  
Sir,—If we are not mistaken this is the season that all the street drains should be cleansed and flushed. The sooner it is started the better. One of these drains requires immediate attention and that is the one just at the foot of the steps leading to the lateral entrance of the R. C. Cathedral in Caine Road. The smell is getting more and more sensible to the passers-by and to the churchgoers. On sunny days it is unbearable. How is it that the Sanitary inspectors have not noticed this nuisance in their daily tours and compel us to report it by means of your paper?  
The present system of drainage, if it is "scientific" is far from being hygienic. In the years gone by, if we remember rightly, the drains were less liable to be choked than they are now with this new system. That defective drains are the real source of epidemic diseases is a statement which will not be contested. Let the public authorities give the drains and the one mentioned in particular, their immediate attention.—Yours &c.

## TRANSMITTALS.

## PREFERRED JAIL TO EXILE.

It would appear, from the number of Chinese who return to Hongkong before their term of banishment has expired, that Victoria Jail is a better place than China. This sentiment was voiced by a native who was arrested on Wednesday night for the fourth time for returning from banishment. When questioned by the police he told them that he would rather come back to Hongkong and go to jail than stay away from the Colony. The defendant, by name Ip Chik Fu, was arrested in May 1908 and sentenced to 21 days' hard labour for being a rogue and a vagabond. On expiration of his sentence he was banished to Canton, but was again discovered in the Colony in April of the following year. For disobeying the order of banishment he was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour, and when his term was served he was again banished. He was re-arrested here on February 18th, 1908, and went to jail for another six months' with hard labour after being given four hours' exposure in the stocks. Following this sentence he was again despatched to Canton, but on his return he was again found in the Colony. On Wednesday night an Indian Warder recognised him promenading the streets. His arrest followed and he appeared before Mr. F. A. Hazell at the Magistrate's yesterday. His Worship, after hearing the evidence, sentenced him to six months' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

## SERIOUS FLOODS IN THE WESTERN RIVER.

Within the past few days there has been a great rise in the West River, and many places along the littoral have been flooded, including Shachung, Samshui, Saiwai and Fatshan. Embankments have given way and extensive damage has been done. At Samshui over two hundred houses are reported to have been washed away, and about twenty persons drowned. Over 10,000 persons are stated to be camping in the hills at Samshui, and relief is urgently needed.

Such a sudden flood has not been experienced at Fatshan for thirty years. The city was inundated so rapidly that the shopkeepers lost a great deal of their property. Only one life is reported lost at Fatshan. The flood here subsided on the 12th inst. as quickly it came.

H. E. the Viceroy of Canton has dispatched telegrams to the provincial officials to take measures to afford the sufferers relief and to report to him full details of the flood.

The Self-Government Society and the Red Cross Society have sent people with provisions to many of the districts affected.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 13th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen slightly in E. Japan and fallen elsewhere, particularly over China.

A depression appears to be developing over the Yangtze Valley, and pressure remains low over the Pacific in the neighbourhood of the Bonins.

Pressure is still high over N.E. Japan. Moderate N.E. and E. winds with moderate rain in the Formosa Channel and to moderate E. and S.E. winds along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.04 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood	E. winds, fresh to moderate; fair.
Formosa Channel	N.E. and E. winds, moderate.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lianchoa	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 1.

## TELEGRAMS.

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## SIR ROBERT HART.

LONDON, May 12th.

The "Times" states that Sir Robert Hart intends to return to China almost immediately if his health permits.

## THE TEACHING OF JAPANESE.

LONDON, May 12th.

A lectureship for the Japanese language is being created at Oxford.

## BISHOPRIC FOR ARCHDEACON BANISTER.

LONDON, May 12th.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has elevated Archdeacon Banister of Hongkong to the new Bishopric of Hunan.

[This new diocese, we understand, is carved out of the diocese of Victoria and embraces the southern portion of the province of Hunan and the northern part of the province of Kwangsi.]

## THE STRIKE IN FRANCE.

LONDON, May 12th.

The Paris strike hangs fire. Only a quarter of the employees has struck, and the postal business is proceeding normally.

The telephone service is uninterrupted.

LONDON, May 13th.

A dispatch from Paris states that the Cabinet has decided to dismiss 228 postal employees.

M. Barthou has stated that the service is normal and that it is unnecessary to resort to exceptional measures.

## THE BUDGET.

LONDON, May 13th.

The House of Commons has voted the land taxes resolution of the Budget.

[The message, as received, gives the vote as 30 to 110. Obviously an error has been made in transmission.]

## BOXING AT THE CIRCUS.

Last night the Hippodrome Circus gave their farewell performance at Causeway Bay, and as usual the numerous teams on the programme were heartily cheered. The main attraction, however, was the boxing contest between Gnanas (Aranda) and Bedbrook, both of the 88th Co. R.G.A. After a few rounds of sparring the opponents settled down to work, and eight lively rounds followed. Aranda's right playing havoc with his opponent, while Bedbrook retaliated with right and left drives. Both men were "fit" at the end of the tenth round when the decision was given a draw, it being announced that the commanding officer had forbidden the pugilists to fight more than ten rounds. Mr. P. Crook acted as referee, and Mr. S. Kelly as timekeeper.

## WONDERS OF RADIUM.

Continuing his lectures on the "Properties of Matter," at the Royal Institution Professor Sir J. J. Thomson, of Cambridge, observed that the theory of the structure of atoms and molecules, the old units of physics and chemistry, had been placed on a new footing by the discovery of radio-active substances. From the atoms of radium, most potent of these elements, energy was given out exceeding anything known to man. Radium, in its breaking up, emitted a million times as much energy as was produced by the combination of an equal weight of oxygen and hydrogen. It threw off corpuscles of light—or about 18,000 miles per second. Whence came this amazing amount of power was a most interesting question. The condition of a ship exposed to the fire of Drednought's was child's play compared with the condition of an atom exposed to a battery of these particles. If they imagined a bombardment of shots as large as houses—a moving mass of thousands of more quickly than any machine ever shot out of a cannon—they would have some idea of the condition of a gas exposed to the bombardment of radium.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The E. & A. str. *Empire* left Sydney on the 11th inst. for this port (via Queensland Ports and Manila).  
The Austrian Lloyd's str. *E. F. Ferdinand* left Singapore for this port on the 12th inst., and is due here on the 18th inst.

## HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held yesterday in the Council Chamber.

The following were present:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR FREDERICK JOHN DEATLEY LUGARD K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

H. E. COLONEL DARLING, R.E. (General Officer-Commanding)

Hon. Mr. F. H. MAY, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary).

Sir HENRY BERKELEY, K.C. (Acting Attorney-General).

Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).

Hon. Mr. W. CHATHAM, C.M.G. (Director of Public Works).

Hon. Mr. A. W. BREWIN (Registrar-General).

Hon. Mr. F. J. BAILEY, (Capt. Superintendent of Police).

Hon. Dr. HO KAI, K.C., C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. WEI YUK, C.M.G.

Mr. C. CLEMENT (Clerk of Councils).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

PAPERS.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H.E. the Governor laid on the table the following papers:—Financial statement for the year 1908; Report of the Police Magistrate's Court for the year 1908; Report of Queen's College for the year 1908; Report of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, British Section.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H.E. the Governor laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 13 to 17 and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded and the motion was agreed to.

FINANCIAL.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H.E. the Governor laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 2) and moved its adoption. In doing so he said:—In connection with this I have to inform your Excellency that on the vote for compensation for 35 opium divans closed this year being brought before the committee, two of the unofficial members raised the question as to whether this compensation would be paid by the Colonial Government. I explained that His Majesty's Government would pay a portion at any rate, of such loss as may be incurred, but that such losses did not include losses incurred during the current year owing to the small number of opium divans being closed. The committee, Sir, did not oppose the vote, which was formally passed.

HIS EXCELLENCY—Gentlemen, in connection with what the hon. Colonial Secretary has just said regarding the criticism which was made at the last finance meeting on the vote for £11,000 odd compensation to divan licensees, I would remind you that on the 11th March last I read to the Council the words in the despatch of the Secretary of State which referred to this subject, and which you will find on page 9 of *Hansard*. The Imperial Government deferred the whole of the divans at once, as they had originally announced their intention of doing, and they promised that they would proceed gradually with the policy which His Majesty's Government had decided to adopt.

They also agreed to pay a substantial part of any loss which might occur in this Colony through the carrying out of that policy. But they made this condition: that whatever compensation may be found to be equitably due to the holders of these licenses will be provided from Colonial funds; that is to say, the licensees who would no longer have a renewal of their licenses during the current year. It was part of the arrangement that was made with the Imperial Government under which we were to receive a substantial part of any loss which might occur in this Colony; and secondly that we should retain the bulk of the divans for the current year until the farm contract should expire on 31st March next. We cannot repudiate our part of the pledge, and yet claim the fulfilment of the promise made by the Imperial Government; the two things hold together.

And His Majesty's Government describe the obligation which we undertook to pay the licensees, together with the decrease in the number of chests which the farmer should be allowed to draw, as an earnest of our co-operation in the policy of His Majesty's Government. When I made the announcement in the Council of the decision arrived at by the Imperial Government, it was received with applause by hon. members, and I think that in view of the consistent attitude which His Majesty's Government has adopted with regard to this question, and in view of the large sacrifices made in India and other Colonies, that we have no ground of complaint, especially as no undue burden is laid upon the Colony by the adoption of this policy.

I would remind you all that the Colony of Hongkong has repeatedly declared itself ready and anxious to support the Imperial Policy. An honourable and learned member of the Council, who is not here, I am sorry to say, to-day, remarked in the debate last May, or, at any rate, he inferred that provided His Majesty's Government adopted the policy *pari passu* with China, he was in favour of supporting it. The senior unofficial member, speaking in the name of the Chinese, went even further, and advocated the abolition of all divans in the Colony. The Chamber of Commerce, which is supported by an hon. member who is not here this afternoon, supported a resolution which I was asked to forward to the Secretary of State, to the effect that while deprecating any sudden and drastic measures, they would loyally support

a policy of gradual reduction. I trust, gentlemen, this explanation is sufficient, and that the Council will not desire it should be understood by His Majesty's Government that we repudiate the views which have been recorded in this Council, and of which the Secretary of State has been informed.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

HIS EXCELLENCY—The honourable and learned member who is absent from Council to-day [the Hon. Mr. Pollock] asked on March 11th whether the Government could make any arrangements for signalling typhoons by Wireless Telegraphy from the Pratas Islands, and whether the Government had any information to communicate on this subject. In reply the Hon. Colonial Secretary informed the Hon. Member that if he would repeat his question in three or four weeks' time I hope to be able to reply more fully. The Hon. Member has not formally repeated his question, but I take it hon. members desire the information. The reason why this Government is unable to take any steps—putting aside the question of cost—to erect a Wireless Station on the Pratas Atoll is because the islands are claimed by China. I have, however, acquainted the Chinese Government through the British Minister at Peking with the importance, which would attach to a Typhoon Signal Station on the island, not merely to Hongkong but to the Southern Coasts of China.

WORKMEN'S CARS.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the following resolution:—Resolved that the Resolution regarding the running of Workmen's Cars by the Hongkong Tramway Electric Company, Limited, now known as the Electric Traction Company of Hongkong, Limited, passed by the Legislative Council on the 21st day of June 1906 be and the same is hereby rescinded.

In doing so he said:—In that resolution, Sir, provision was made for the running of certain workmen's cars in the early morning. These cars, Sir, have been found not to be patronised by the class for whom they were intended, and accordingly it has been suggested that a system of punch tickets at a rate of two cents a ride should be afforded to workmen and others between the hours of 5.30 to 7.30 in the morning and 4.30 to 6.30 in the afternoon. It is hoped, Sir, that these punch tickets will be availed of to a larger extent than were the cars. The Government at the same time reserves the right, if the punch tickets are not a success, to revert to the workmen's car system.

Hon. Dr. HO KAI—Sir, I am not opposing the resolution, but I want to know whether the arrangement which the Hon. Colonial Secretary has told us of the institution of punch tickets, is on record; and if so, whether it is binding on the Company. Otherwise, if we pass this resolution this Company may make variations with regard to the punch tickets, and where are we? I desire to know whether it is on record, and whether it is binding on the Company. If it is binding, I will be one to support it.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—The arrangement is on record in writing. Of course if the Company went back on the arrangement, the remedy would be to re-impose the workmen's cars, but I think there is no danger of that. The Company desire to give this the fairest chance.

The resolution was agreed to.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

HIS EXCELLENCY—Gentlemen, before proceeding to the business of the day, I have to make a statement regarding the progress of the railway. There is, amongst the papers laid on the table this afternoon, first a report by the chief resident engineer, and in connection with that report you will no doubt notice that the various departmental reports which have been laid on the table this afternoon are not in the usual form. They do not bear the heading "Laid before the Legislative Council," but they have an appendix with a letter at the outset. The reason of that slight alteration is that we propose in future to somewhat condense these departmental reports and publish them as a small volume, which will be laid as one document before the Council.

But in order not to further delay these reports, such as are already printed have been laid this afternoon. On February 6th last I made a statement to the Council as to the progress and the financial position of the Canton-Kowloon railway. And again, when introducing the estimates on 24th December last, I reported such progress as had taken place in the interval, and I promised that I would make an annual report to the Council, both as regards finances, and as regards progress of the railway and the liability which we are incurring in respect of it; and the ways in which these liabilities are being met. I much regret the delay in presenting this annual report and laying this statement. I had hoped it would be ready at one of the earlier meetings of the year.

We have no resolution this year before Council for votes for the construction of the railway during the year, because, under the new financial instructions, which have been lately received from the Colonial Office, the requisite funds for the construction during the year are included in the annual estimates. I propose, however, to follow the course I did last year, and to give you as full a statement of events connected with the railway as I can, and I will endeavour to make as clear as possible, the situation both as regards expenditure and the prospects both as regards time and date of completion.

And I hope that I shall be able to amplify the report of the chief resident engineer, and draw your attention to the significance of the figures. I will deal first with the expenditure, and I am sorry to say it is not an exhilarating subject. We first of all had an estimate by Mr. Bruce which amounted to \$5,053,274. That estimate



as I explained in my former statement, was a very rough one. It was based on a very rough preliminary survey and included no calculation of quantities and many important items such as rolling stock, workshops, etc. It was accepted as a rough estimate by my predecessor when the railway first began. The first full estimate that we had from the chief resident engineer, appointed by the consulting engineers, was in June 1907. That amounted to \$8,003,642. It did not include any provision for rolling stock or for workshops, because at that time it was impossible to know exactly what rolling stock would be required, and whether or not we should require any workshops. At the end of the same year, December 1907, a further estimate was submitted to the Council, which amounted to \$9,860,233. Provision for rolling stock was included, and that estimate also includes the cost of the resumption of the deep sea wharf in the neighbourhood of Blackhead's Point, but it still did not include any provision for workshops as the subject was still under discussion. The provision made in that estimate for land was also somewhat vague. No final decision had been taken as regards the site for the terminal station. The estimate which is included in the papers laid this afternoon, amounts, as you will see, to \$11,004,123. This includes workshops and all items, but it is still possible that the land resumption may not be fully adequately provided for, as matters in connection with that subject are not yet finally concluded. The excesses of this estimate over the one which was laid before the Council in December last amount to \$1,143,845, but if you turn to column E on page 10 of the report, in which the figures in italics represent savings, you will see that of this total sum \$996,409 are represented in the cost of the tunnel. \$120,000 of this excess is provided for workshops, and there remains a balance of \$27,436 which is distributed over various items. But you will see also in the later estimates that there is a great variation of the figures from those contained in the estimate of last year. There is a saving of \$82,400 for rolling stock, and \$51,700 in ballast and permanent way, making a total of \$134,000 saving on these two items. This is met by an excess of \$90,000 on salaries and \$45,000 on accounts, making \$135,000. Bridges show an excess of \$47,261; half of that is met by savings on various items, and the other half goes to complete the total excess in the estimate of \$1,443,000. These large over and under estimates are most unsatisfactory, and they show that the figures which have been supplied have not been reliable. But at the same time I would remind you that the mere question of estimates does not mean a reflection on British engineering. It is due purely to the fact that we are engaged in constructing a tunnel such as has not been undertaken in this part of the world before, and under which the conditions both as regards labour and as regards explosives were extremely difficult to foresee. The variations also under the estimates are in part due to the fact that all the data of the railway were not known, and indeed are not known fully yet. And even had the railway been in the hands of contractors there would have been many items excluded, for which supplementary estimates would have been required. Nevertheless, we have this fact: that this tunnel will cost nearly a million more than the estimate given to us at the end of last year, and that in spite of the fact that the engineers had acquired already a year's experience in dealing with the conditions under which the tunnel had to be constructed. During the year that is passed, the quality of the labour has greatly improved. The coolies have become more efficient, and understand the work better. We have been able to engage a number of coolies returned from South Africa who have been trained miners, and have been a great acquisition to work in the tunnels. There has been less sickness and fever. The tunnel has been found to be approximately 44 feet less in length than it had been anticipated, owing to an error in the original triangulation. These causes have reduced the cost per foot in a very remarkable degree. You will see on page 2 a very striking statement in this connection. The heading cost per foot in 1907 \$184, which has been reduced to \$70.04. The enlarging in 1907 cost \$275, which has been reduced to \$140.86; the breaking-in was \$221 and has been reduced to \$113.54. Now, if it were not for these very large reductions per lined foot the excesses would have been something I dread to calculate. Obviously it is beyond my personal control to see whether or not the estimate formed by the engineers is adequate. The staff which has been employed has been reduced wherever it had been possible to do so without detriment to the efficiency of the work. The medical arrangements, which are practically carried out by Government, have increased enormously. Everything, in fact, that the Government has been able to do has been done. The cost of the tunnel—I speak of the big tunnel only; you will of course recollect that sum includes the smaller one as well as the large one—is estimated as you will see in the report, at \$5,000,000. Its length is 7,212 feet, which works out at \$416 per foot; that is to say \$2,196,542 a mile, or in round figures about \$200,000 a mile. If we add to that, charges for the permanent way and the shoring of the tunnel's length and the general charges of the railway, you will see that the cost of this tunnel is not less than one-third of the general charges of the railway. As regards the special difficulties which have been met with, and which are held accountable for this large increase, I refer you to the report, in which you will see what the chief resident engineer has to say on the subject. The excess over the estimate in December 1907 is in part due to the fact that we are completely lining the tunnel throughout. It had been hoped that in certain sections where the rock is exceedingly

Chinese. I may add too, that the carriage will cost something less than half what had been estimated, for the amount placed on the estimates had been calculated on the basis of carriages for the Shanghai railway, and we find by adopting a less expensive model we can reduce the cost from about \$2,000 per carriage to \$1,600. As regards earthwork, under the estimate at the end of 1907 the chief resident engineer already anticipated a saving of over \$140,000 in the estimate made in the previous June. Out of this saving, \$35,000 will be allocated to a reduction in the slip in the big cutting at the head of Hunghom Bay. This cutting is about 210 feet deep, and the engineers consider that looking to the very pliable nature of the ground it is unsafe to allow the slip to stand without some further precautions to avoid landslips which may block the line for a period of several months. \$110,000 is devoted to the prolongation of the sea wall from the storm water drain to Blackhead's Point. This had long been decided upon but it was not included in the original estimates because no definite decision had been arrived at as to its exact location. It had originally been intended to make the wall in straight line to Blackhead's but it was set back in order to effect a substantial saving by constructing the wall in shallower water. \$40,000 are also required, which I hope will be met from the saving in earthwork, for cutting off the corner on Signal Hill in order that the railway might obtain a proper curve in approaching Kowloon Station. I turn now to the more pleasant task of reporting the progress which has been made upon the railway during the past year. I think we can describe it as satisfactory on the whole with the exception perhaps of the big cutting at Hunghom and the reclamation for the station yard which are let to contract to Messrs Leigh and Orange. As there was the prospect that the time for this would be much exceeded we entered into negotiations with them in order to obtain the use of what is called the overland route construction line which they have made and also in obtaining access to certain areas under reclamation in advance of the completion of the contract. By obtaining running powers over the construction line we should facilitate the opening of the railway at a very much earlier date than would otherwise have been possible. In return we have allowed them twelve months' extension of the time for the big cutting which, as I have said, will not delay the opening of the railway. It will be opened over the overland route and they have consented that the penalties for exceeding the contract time shall be trolled. We have also given them two new contracts at rates which will be remunerative to them, one the Gascoigne Road bridge and the other in the neighbourhood of Yau-mai Station. It will be possible, in open the line before the big reclamations are completed. The tunnel progress has been good. On 31st December 1907 3,168 feet had been driven and 465 feet had been lined, and on 31st December last 5,644 feet had been driven and 2,730 lined. The progress in 1908 was 40.27 feet per week. Last year it was 38.15, an increase of some 60 per cent. in spite of the fact that during the great part of 1907 we were working on four faces whereas in 1908 we were only working on two. I have already told you how greatly the cost per foot has been decreased and how the progress has been much more rapid. We hope the headings will be through within the next two or three days. For this work very great credit is due to Mr. Wainwright, the tunnel superintendent. We hope the tunnel will be lined and finished by the end of the year and that the permanent way will be laid and the line opened by May 1910. We found it advisable to have a small flag station at Tai-po market in order to attract some additional traffic, and a small station will also be built at Lo-fai ferry near the frontier. None of these items were included in the original estimates. I may also say that the jetty at Tai-po will be lengthened so as to carry it into deep water, and by this we hope to acquire considerably more traffic from across the bay. The cost of these three items is small and will be met without increasing the estimates, by abolishing high platforms at the small intermediate stations which are not considered necessary. After much discussion with Mr. Barry when he was here it was decided that the small workshops which would be necessary should be placed on the Crown land at the head of Hunghom Bay. It is considered that the building and plant will not cost more than \$120,000, which is now included in the estimates. After much discussion it was also decided to locate the terminal station on land near Salisbury Road where it would be near the various piers where passengers and packages would be landed, and more central. It would leave the deep water anchorage free for ocean going steamers. This will involve some land resumption which I think will worth doing in order to acquire the advantages which I have just named. It is not possible to say what the cost of these resumptions will be because it will involve a considerable amount of adjustment between the Colonial Government and the railway accounts. The report of the medical officer is very satisfactory. Cholera, beriberi, and dysentery at the tunnel have decreased by 50 per cent. This is due to better organization and to better methods. The number of coolies employed on the railway throughout the year per day was 3,244. Both sections—the section and the Chinese section—are now well advanced, and we hope before long to undertake negotiations for a joint working agreement. I think gentlemen, that covers all the points on which you are likely to feel interested in the work during the past or of the prospects in the future. (Applause.)

**DEMOUNTING OF POSTAGE STAMPS.**  
The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to demount Postage Stamps bearing the Head of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

**CHILDREN'S ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.**  
The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the First reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Law with respect to Children and Young Persons."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

**LARVARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.**  
The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Larvory Ordinance, 1865."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

**PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.**  
The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances 1903-1908."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

**LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.**

The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Life Insurance Companies Ordinance, 1907. In doing so he said: The bill effected certain amendments in the Life Insurance Ordinances recommended by the actuary."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Council then went into committee to consider the Bill clause by clause, and on Council resuming the bill was reported as having passed through committee.

**AMENDMENT OF CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.**

The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend The Code of Civil Procedure. In doing so he said—Its principal purpose is to secure uniformity in the mode of procedure. It also provides for the payment by a plaintiff of the cost of keeping a defendant in goal. At present a creditor who imprisons a debtor on execution judgment has to pay for the keep of the debtor in prison, but for some reason no similar provision was made that a plaintiff should bear the cost of the keep of the defendant whom he imprisons in order to compel him to answer a complaint against him. This bill makes that necessary provision."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Council went into committee to consider the Bill clause by clause, and on resuming it was reported that the bill had passed through committee.

**EVIDENCE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.**

The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend (The Evidence Ordinance, 1899. In doing so he said—This bill has been necessitated by the fact that section 40 of the Evidence Ordinance 1899 contains some errors in description. In that section the word Governor is used where the words His Majesty the King should have appeared. This Ordinance is intended to set right this and other modes of description which are not altogether inaccurate."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Council went into committee to consider the Bill clause by clause. No amendment was made.

On the Council resuming, the bill was read a third time and passed into law.

**AMENDMENT OF WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ORDINANCE.**

The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend The Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance 1903. He said—The bill is a very short one. Its object is to confer powers on the Governor to make regulations as to the use of wireless telegraphy by merchant ships, British or foreign."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Bill passed through committee without amendment and was afterwards read a third time.

**MERCHANT SHIPPING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.**

The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that the Council go into committee on the bill entitled "An Ordinance further to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL stated that clauses 9 and 13 were reserved at the last meeting for consideration, but as he had amendments to propose to other clauses as well as these two clauses, the bill would need to be reconsidered.

The COLONIAL TREASURER pointed out that the members interested in shipping were absent and it might be as well to postpone consideration of the bill.

The ATTORNEY GENERAL agreed and consideration of the bill was postponed.

**THE PEAK TRAMWAY.**

The last order of the day that the Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance for authorizing the construction of a tramway within the Colony of Hongkong, was not proceeded with."

**HIS EXCELLENCY.**—The Council stands adjourned until this day week.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held afterwards—the COLONIAL SECRETARY presiding. The following votes were passed:

**ADDITIONAL OFFICE ACCOMMODATION.**

The GOVERNOR recommended the Council to vote a sum of Five thousand four hundred and fifty Dollars (\$5,450) in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Extension of Old Stables to provide Additional Office Accommodation required for Public Works Department.

## STOCKTAKING.

The GOVERNOR recommended the Council to vote a sum of Two thousand two hundred and thirteen Dollars (\$2,213) in aid of the vote Public Works Department, Other Charges, Fees, etc., for stocktaking of stores.

The CHAIRMAN—This is to pay for an outside form for auditing and stocktaking the stores of the Public Works Department.

HON. DR. HO KAI—Is this to be an annual thing?

The CHAIRMAN—It ought to be done at least once every two years.

**CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE.**

The GOVERNOR recommended the Council to vote a sum of Ninety Dollars (\$90) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments—C.—Institutes, Other Charges, Bacteriological Institute and Mortuaries, Conveyance Allowance to Bacteriological Assistant.

**OFFICE CHARGES.**

The GOVERNOR recommended the Council to vote a sum of two hundred and seventy dollars (\$270) in aid of the vote, Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature, Other Charges, Typewriter.

**LAUNCH REPAIRS.**

The GOVERNOR recommended the Council to vote a sum of three hundred and two dollars (\$302) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments, A.—Staff, Other Charges, Health Officer of Port, Repairs to Launch.

**THE O.S.K. AND THE TRANS-PACIFIC TRADE.**

The Omska Shosen Kaisha, in their preparations to capture a share of the Trans-Pacific carrying trade writes a correspondent, appear not to have overlooked any detail in the arrangement of their new vessels intended for that run, so as to secure their working under the most advantageous conditions.

The ss. *Tacoma Maru*, which is the first of a series of six new steamers designed for the O.S.K. American Line, is now nearing completion, and at her trial trip held in Kobe on the 19th April she developed a speed of over fourteen knots, with loading on board of 4,000 tons deadweight. It was shown that to maintain a speed of 12 knots the coal consumption would be only 4 tons a day, which is indeed a great saving in the expense for fuel. The steamer's cargo capacity, first estimated for 7,100 tons deadweight, is now found, on her completion to be able to cover 7,700 tons, as the bunker space first allowed could now be utilised on account of the lesser consumption of coal now found required. The following are the particulars of the *Tacoma Maru*—Built by the Kawasaki Shipbuilding Co., Kobe, Japan, her dimensions are: Length 354 ft., breadth 51 ft., 3 in. Depth 32 ft. 6 in.; tonnage: Displacement—12,000 tons, Gross Reg.—6,178 tons, Net Reg. 5,833 tons.

She is classed at Lloyd's, 100 A. 1; has twin screws, and a speed of 15½ knots per hour. She is electrically lighted and steam heated throughout. It is thus officially described—"Two-decked under Japanese Government's and Lloyd's three deck rule with forecastle, long bridge deck and poop, steel deck house on bridge and bust decks. Two masts, fore and aft rig. Cellular double bottom throughout with a deep tank aft the engine room. Seven watertight and wide spaced bulkheads, deep flaming, wide spaced tubular pillars, steel upper and main decks, and steel lower deck in No. 1 Hold. Engines: Two sets triple expansion engines. Load Draft, 25 ft. (in. Passenger Accommodation: Steerage—200 berths, cabin—a limited number can be accommodated. Silk, Treasure and Parcel rooms provided. An extra cargo derrick capable of lifting 30 tons is equipped, besides an ordinary one."

Briefly, the superior points of the O.S.K. new Trans-Pacific steamers may be summed up as follows:—(1) A fair speed, in comparison with ordinary freighters. (2) Special up-to-date appliances for cargo working, including an extra derrick capable of lifting up to 30 tons, weight. (3) Superior accommodation for steerage passengers situated amidships. (4) Strict regular service to be maintained under Japanese Government Contract.

It is anticipated that the *Tacoma Maru* will be in Hongkong in the latter part of June, and will be despatched on her maiden trip to Tacoma via Shanghai and Japan ports on or about 3rd July.

The second steamer nearing completion, ss. *Seattle Maru* was successfully launched at Kobe on the 3rd May.

**NON-ASTINCE CLOTHING FOR TROPICAL COUNTRIES.**

It is by now a familiar theory that we ought to wear red clothing in tropical countries to ward off the evils of the sun's actinic rays but beyond seeing a few people with red linings to their tops we have not often seen the theory carried into practice. Possibly it is the talisman fault for they never seem desirous of clothing their customers in scarlet, but in the future they will have less excuse. According to *Chambers's Journal*, a new fabric has now been produced for underclothing in accordance with established scientific principles. It is built up of threads alternately red and orange; but the pronounced appearance is red, the two colours thus combined providing a medium for absorbing the pernicious actinic rays. The combination of the two tints is so effectively accomplished that the non-actinic rays that pass through exercise no harmful effects upon the body whatever. Moreover, the material being made of a porous character, although the actinic rays are absorbed in their path, the pores of the skin have access to the air through the cells in the fabric; so that although one may be industriously working in a sweltering sun no discomfort is experienced. This sounds like a guarantee against puffy heat, sun-stroke and all sorts of complaints, but we have only the testimony of Cuba and Central America to go by and we should like to hear of experiments with it in India. —*Times of India*.

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OPIMUM CULTIVATION IN INDIA.

THE GROWING PREFERENCE FOR OTHER CROPS.

We have already noticed the decline in popularity of opium cultivation in the Behar and Benares Agencies, (writes the *Yonker*) and the annual report by the Bengal Board of Revenue shows in detail the reasons which influence the ryot in preferring other crops to that of the poppy. Unfavourable seasons, the rise in prices of food-grains and the dearth of labour have all contributed to bring about a change. The average area cultivated has steadily diminished, and the villagers no longer look to the poppy plot to put money into his pocket, whatever may be the character of the seasons. Mr. Shirres, who took charge of the Behar Agency last October, draws attention to the fact that price paid to the cultivator for opium has remained fixed since 1894, while the price of other agricultural produce has risen. As regards rice in North and South Behar its average price from the ten years ending with 1894 was Rs. 3-2, or 25 per cent higher. It is the case with opium, the increase averaged 17 per cent. But this does not show the great rise in the last two or three years. In 1906 and 1907 the prices of rice and barley were actually 70 and 55 per cent, above the decennial average of 1884-94 and last year the figures were higher still. Mr. Shirres says—"On the plots close to his dwelling the ryot raises his most valuable crops, namely, tobacco, chilies, potatoes, mustard, etc., and all these things are direct rivals of opium. Barley and wheat are also mentioned in the report as competitors and supreme competitors indirectly by using opium. It is said also that Java indigo is frequently ousted from its place for the poppy, and cannot therefore be grown as an alternating crop. One of the opium officers goes so far as to say that any crop now pays better than poppy, and this would really seem to be the case. It is clear from these statements that Government will have no difficulty in retrenching the area under poppy in Behar, and that the ryot will willingly fall into the line in the matter. The less productive lands will no longer be licensed and the poppy crop dwindle to small dimensions. In favourable seasons, when the rainfall is good, the crop will probably pay a fair return, but so long as the prices of other products remain high there will be none of the old eagerness to cultivate the poppy."

PEKIN SYNDICATE ACTIVITY.

Pekin Syndicate shares were active yesterday, and, as we pointed out in our Stock Market article, the buying seemed to emanate from The Continent. There was a rumour that this buying was due to the probability of the reclamation Continental holders coming to terms in the near future, and withdrawing their opposition to the unification scheme. In any case, of course, the bill having fallen through, a fresh scheme will have to be brought forward in time for the next Parliamentary Session, but it is not likely to differ very materially from that which recently so nearly succeeded. Yesterday's buying, on the other hand, may have been due to efforts on the part of the Continental group to consolidate their position in opposition, as they must know that many English share holders did not take the trouble to vote at the last meeting, and only some 13,000 more votes were required to carry the scheme.—*Poll. Mail Gazette*, April 20th.

MINISTER'S NOVEL DEVICE.

The minister of a certain church in an Indian town has hit on a novelty in the way of advertising the subject of his sermons. He arranges with a dozen of his most ardent supporters to ring up four telephone subscribers each on the Saturday night, and to announce the subject of the discourse for the following Sunday. At the same time, the initiator of what is called the "telephone chain" asks of those to whom he has spoken to ring up four others. It will not consent, the initiator is bound to persevere until he does obtain the consent of four. By this method of importunity the church has been filled to overflowing on Sunday nights. The telephone Company, however, finds that when it approaches nine o'clock on Saturday night, that is when the "chain" approaches completion, there is more work than its staff can conveniently handle, and the extra staff has to be brought back. Indeed, the manager of the Company has stated that 9 p.m. on Saturday is the busiest moment of the week. Apparently, the telephone staff is not numbered among the overworking congregation.

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## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

DANJIMARU, Japanese str., 2,368, J. Yamakake, 13th May—Mikio 8th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

BENJAMOND, British str., 1,735, P. Sutherland, 13th May—London via Singapore 7th May, General—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.

BINGO MARU, Japanese str., 3,875, A. Christensen, 13th May—Singapore 7th May, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CHIPSINGO, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 12th May—Tientsin, Chefoo & Wei-hai-wei 5th May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHITVEN, Chinese str., 1,177, C. Stewart, 13th May—Shanghai 8th and Swatow 10th May, General—C. M. S. N. Co.

HEIM, Norwegian str., 753, A. Erickson, 13th May—Bangkok 5th May, Rice—Yuen Fat Hong.

KINSHED, German str., 646, Ipalad, 13th May—Hohow 12th May, General—Jobson & Co.

NANSHANG, British str., 2,591, F. M. B. Lake, 13th May—Yokohama, Kobe and Moji 8th May, Coal and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KJELD, Norwegian str., 1,341 May—Canton.

SUNOKIANG, British str., 987, G. H. Pennefather, 12th May—Hohow 9th May, General—Butterfield & Swire.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
13th May.

Bowen, French str., for Saigon.

Choo, Mow, Japanese str., for Swatow.

Daggy, Norwegian str., for Dalny.

Haitan, British str., for Swatow.

Signal, German str., for Swatow.

Yeveta Maru, Japanese str., for Manila.

## DEPARTURES.

13th May.

ANHUI, British str., for Canton.

CHITVEN, Chinese str., for Canton.

DUPAY, Norwegian str., for Shanghai.

J. DIEDERICHSEN, German str., for Hohow.

KIANG PING, Chinese str., for Canton.

KJELD, Norwegian str., for Chefoo.

LIOTING, British str., for Singapore.

SELVA, Norwegian str., for Kobe.

SEXTA, German str., for Amoy.

YINGCHOW, British str., for Shang.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese str. Chitven reports: Light variable winds and fine weather.

The British str. Namshang reports: Moderate Northerly wind and sea, fine to misty weather.

The British str. Sunghing reports: Light variable breeze overcast and showery weather to Manila, thence light to moderate N.E. fine cloudy weather slight sea.

The British str. Chipping reports: N.E. promontory to 36 degrees N. light variable winds, fog at intervals, lat 36 degrees N. to Tung Yung, light S. Westerly wind and fine clear weather. Tung Yung to Port, fresh to moderate N.E. wind, hazy weather fine throughout.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

May 13th.

ABERDEEN DOCK—  
Kowloon Dock—Y. Soutuo, Signal, Teh Hing, Soudin, Sui An.  
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—  
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## SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Bluffs Pier. 3 From Bluffs Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c, via SUEZ PORTS OF CALL.	DELTA	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PERA	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Cook, R.N.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 18th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLENDALOG	Brit. str.	—	McGregor	McGregor Bros. & Gow	On 25th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About end of May.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	V. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 25th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Eckhorn	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 17th June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Sellier	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	Middle of June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	S. J. G. Parsons	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 25th inst., at 1 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Solmer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 28th inst., at D'light
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	N. Nielsen	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 8th June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	F. E. Cope	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 9th June, at D'light
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	G. Metters	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 2nd June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Bergallan	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 1st June, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	M. H. Gino	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 19th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	W. Shotton	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 25th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	T. Harrison	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 22nd inst., at 6 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	L. Sakine	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 14th July, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	L. Dawson	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 25th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	St. John George	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 3rd June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	M. Yapi	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 8th June, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	F. Isack	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Christiansen	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 21st inst., at 10 A.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	F. L. Sommer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 28th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	N. Matheson	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 11th June, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Jurissac	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 25th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Dowson	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	R. Mosley	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 18th inst., at 4 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	G. Hooker	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 21st inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	T. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 9th June, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	J. S. Rogers	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	Quick despatch.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	A. E. Sandbach	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	H. G. Walker	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	H. W. Kenrick, R.N.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 17th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Bradley	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 18th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	C. Dewers	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 18th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Nitche	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	X.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 24th inst., at D'light
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	A. Mooker	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Gordon	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 27th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Luning	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 28th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	Y. Kaboraki	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 18th inst., at 10 A.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	de Bronev	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	Quick despatch.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	J. S. Evans	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day, at 1 P.M.
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LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	B. V. Payne	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BLISS	Brit. str.	—	A. W. Outbridge	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-morrow, at Noon.
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MANILA, Y.A.P. NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.	"MANILA" Capt. E. GATHEMANN	Friday, 21st May, at 10 A.M.
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Hongkong, 3rd May, 1909. [1]

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LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS DELTA	Noon, 15th May	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, NAMUR	About 17th May	Freight and Passage.
MOI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	Capt. H. W. Kenrick, R.N.R.	
LONDON and ANTWERP	About 19th May	Freight only.
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SHANGHAI	About 27th May	Freight and Passage.
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Hongkong, 14th May, 1909.

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SHANGHAI, BOHOW and HAIPHONG	"ANHUI" On 16th May, D'light
CHINKIANG	"SHANTUNG" On 16th May, D'light
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG" On 17th May, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN" On 18th May, 3 P.M.
CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"CHINHU" On 19th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"KUEIHOW" On 20th May, 4 P.M.
NEWCHWANG	"KWEIYANG" On 21st May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"TAMING" On 23rd May, D'light
MANILA	On 25th May, 3 P.M.

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SHANGHAI	"HANGSANG" Sunday, 16th May, D'light
SHANGHAI	"WINGSANG" Monday, 17th May, 4 P.M.
TIENTSIN via WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	"CHIPSANG" Monday, 17th May, 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"AMABA" Tuesday, 18th May, 3 P.M.
KOBÉ	"KUTSANG" Tuesday, 18th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ & MOI	"KUTSANG" Wednesday, 19th May, Noon
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VICTORIA, R.C. and SHANGHAI	"SEATTLE" Capt. T. Harrison	6000	TUESDAY, 8th June, at Noon
SEATTLE, SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA	"KAMAKURA MARU" Capt. T. Sakine	5000	FRIDAY, 14th May, at Noon
SEATTLE, SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA	"NIKKO MARU" Capt. M. Yagi	6000	FRIDAY, 11th June, at Noon
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KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	"KAMO MARU" Capt. F. L. Sommer	9000	FRIDAY, 21st May, P.M.
NAGASAKI, MOI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	"BOMBAY MARU" Capt. W. A. Evans	5000	MONDAY, 26th May, at Noon
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	"TAKASAKI MARU" Capt. A. Mooker	5000	THURSDAY, 27th May, at Noon
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